

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-23 and add claims 24-31 as follows.

1 1 - 23 (Canceled)

1 24. (New) A software product carrying code for providing data communications in a
 2 computer system, wherein execution of the code by one or more processors causes the one or
 3 more processors to perform the steps of:
 4 accepting message information within a unified exchange manager;
 5 executing the unified exchange manager to select an appropriate application from a
 6 plurality of applications that are executable on the computer system, the unified exchange
 7 manager selecting the appropriate application based on a data type of the message
 8 information, wherein said unified exchange manager communicates with a plurality of
 9 communication libraries, each said communication library implementing a particular protocol
 10 for external communication, wherein at least one of said communication libraries comprises
 11 a wireless communication library;
 12 determining whether a user accepts said message information; and
 13 passing said message information from said unified exchange manager to the
 14 appropriate application program in response to said user accepting said message information.

1 25. (New) The software product of claim 24, said steps further comprising:
 2 alerting said appropriate application that said appropriate application will be receiving
 3 said message information.

1 26. (New) The software product of claim 24, wherein said message information is from
 2 an external source.

1 27. (New) The software product of claim 24, wherein said message information is from a
 2 second application program.

- 1 28. (New) The software product of claim 24, said steps further comprising:
2 returning from said appropriate application program a call handle that activates said
3 application program and displays said message information.
- 1 29. (New) The software product as claimed in claim 24, wherein the at least one wireless
2 communication library comprises an infrared communication library.
- 1 30. (New) The software product as claimed in claim 29, wherein said infrared
2 communication library implements an IrDA protocol.
- 1 31. (New) The software product as claimed in claim 24, wherein one of said
2 communication libraries comprises a pager communication library.

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